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If you are the offender (the person who needs to say “I’m sorry!”)…

1. What are examples of different situations for saying “I’m sorry!” in your host culture?

Duì bùqǐ i am sorry. Excuse me.   
Bùhǎo yìsī. i am sorry. To feel embarrassed

2. What do you say if you do something awkward, like bump into someone?

Duì bùqǐ i am sorry. excuse me.

3. What do you say if something sad has happened to someone?

Bù hǎo yìsī. i am sorry, i feel bad.

4. What do you say if you’ve forgotten something or done/said something inappropriate?

Bùhǎo yìsī. i am sorry a little bit embarrassed

What kinds of response(s) could you expect to hear from the person you’ve offended in each situation (if mentioned in your language lesson)? Write their response in (parentheses) beside each version of “I’m sorry!” Please/Thank you/ You’re Welcome  
please: (qǐng)  
thank you: (Xiè xie)  
your welcome: (Bú yòng xiè)  
Stating your Name:   
I Don’t Understand  
Wǒ bù míngbaí. I don't understand.